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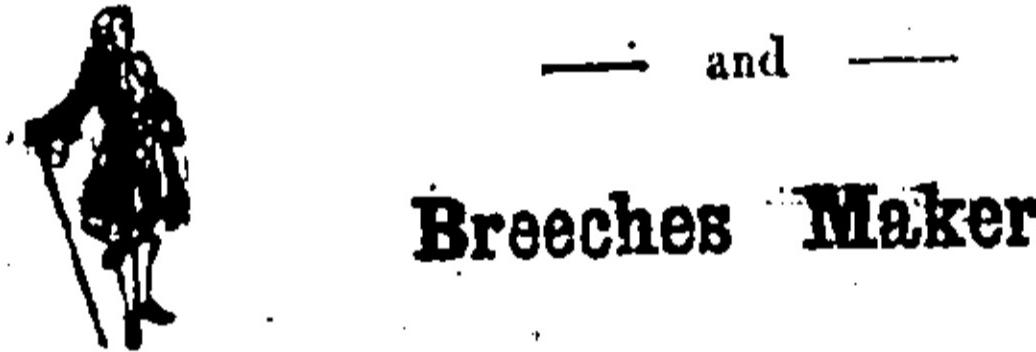
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TOKYO AND YOKOHAMA HARD HIT.

(Reuters' Service to the China Mail.)

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 2.

A wireless message from Tomioka says that the Prince Regent of Japan and his household are safe. Seven hundred people were killed by the collapse of Asakusa Tower.

Many ships were lost in a tidal wave at Yokohama.

TEN THOUSAND CASUALTIES.

OSAKA, September 2.

The Governor of Yokohama, in a wireless message to the Governors of Osaka and Kobe, states that there have been ten thousand casualties and all means of communication have been destroyed. The town is without food and water and immediate relief is asked for.

The relief steamer "Chicago Maru" is being sent from Osaka this afternoon.

A number of small towns at the foot of Mount Fujiyama have been demolished; there have been hundreds of fatalities. There has been terrible havoc at many of the summer resorts. At Atami there have been 600 fatalities. In Yokohama the

casualties number ten thousand.

PEKING LEARNS NEWS.

PEKING, September 2.

A wireless message from Southern Japan reports that the earthquake has practically destroyed all cities, towns and villages between Tokyo and Osaka. A number of fires have been caused, many of which are still burning.

Most of the big buildings in Tokyo have been destroyed. The Imperial Palace is in danger. The fire in Tokyo is raging from end to end of the city. The streets are heaped with dead and at present it is impossible to estimate the casualties.

Yokohama suffered tremendously from the earthquake, while a tidal wave added to the terrors of the population, who are fleeing into the interior.

Communication with Central Japan is entirely cut off.

OSAKA, September 2.

It is stated that Premier Yamamoto had a narrow escape. Reports coming in indicate that Yokohama is now an immense mass of ruins. The harbour and dockyards are demolished. It is feared that the Navy Department in Tokyo, which fails to answer wireless calls, has been destroyed.

WIRELESS MESSAGES.

NEW YORK, September 3.

Meagre reports by wireless indicate that there has been a very severe earthquake on the Eastern Coast of Japan at Hondo. The range of damage was apparently 300 miles from Osaka and Kobe, in the South, towards Sendai in the North. This is the most thickly populated section of Japan.

A radio message from Tomioka contains the first-hand story of a refugee from Tokyo. This man says that the fire, which destroyed the Imperial Theatre and many other large buildings, is spreading from Shonan towards Shinagawa, the southernmost point of the city. The flames, he says, are visible seven miles distant from Tokyo. All the railway bridges in the city have been destroyed and the bulk of traffic has ceased. The number of the dead and injured is incalculable.

EIGHT THOUSAND DEAD.

NAGASAKI, September 3.

It is impossible to estimate the aggregate of casualties in all the affected districts. It must be remembered that in the great earthquake of 1856 the killed in Yedo (now Tokyo) alone numbered over 100,000. It is feared that the casualties in Tokyo this time are greater.

It is reported that the Fuji Spinning Mills, near Mount Fuji, collapsed and that 8,000 operatives perished.

At Hakone, the famous mountain resort, it is said to be easier to count the living than the dead.

Prince Salomé, who was staying at Gotemba, found safe refuge in a bamboo grove.

A number of volcanoes are reported as being active. There were several more shocks at Yokohama to-day at one o'clock. Tokyo is still burning and explosions are frequently heard. Nobody is allowed to enter Tokyo unless he carries with him a sufficient supply of food. A report from Odawara, yesterday, stated that the town had been washed away by tidal waves. It is now reported to be on fire.

RELIEF WORK.

The Osaka Municipality has voted Y200,000 and Kobe Y100,000 for relief. The Tokyo Government has ordered the Osaka and Kobe Municipalities to send 500,000 Koku of rice within three days. Warships have been ordered to transport relief supplies to Tokyo. It is not expected that the railway will be restored for some time; therefore relief must depend chiefly on the Navy.

An officer from the "London Mirror" who went ashore at Yokohama, reported that dead bodies are scattered all over the place. Tens of thousands of refugees are gathered in Yokohama Park.

Even the cruisers engaged in salvage work in submarine No. 70 have been ordered to participate in relief work.

The Home Department has ordered the neighbouring Prefectures to move supplies of provisions to nearby ports, whence warships will undertake the transportation to Tokyo. The work of feeding over 2,000,000 inhabitants in Tokyo will call for the supreme efforts of the whole nation.

AMONG THE INJURED.

Prince Matsukata, who is staying at Kamakura, is reported to have been injured; also the Dowager Princess Kaya and Prince Takachito Yamashita.

AMERICAN OFFER OF AID.

DAIREN, September 2.

The Commander of an American warship, which is now in port, has offered the Government the services of his ship and crew to assist in the relief of Tokyo.

NAVY BUILDINGS SARE.

OSAKA, September 3.

A naval wireless message reports that the Navy Department buildings in Tokyo are safe. It is reported that martial law has also been proclaimed in Yokohama.

WORKING-CLASS DISTRICT BURNED.

SAN FRANCISCO, September 2.

The fire at Tokyo was controlled from noon to day. The entire working class district has been burnt.

LATER DETAILS.

OSAKA, September 3.

The Nagoya division received the following report from Lieutenant Ishida who reconnoitred Tokyo by aeroplane yesterday afternoon. "The place is safe and only partial damage has been done. Tokyo is devastated except the Ushigome Ward, part of the Koisigawa Ward, practically the whole of the Yotsuya Ward and the north side of Aoyama-dori.

Practically all the concrete buildings and brick buildings have collapsed. The Fukugawa Ward was flooded by the tidal wave. It was difficult to fly over the city owing to the flame and smoke. At Nikko where His Majesty is staying it is reported that there is no serious damage. The Imperial Household Department is also buried."

NEWS FROM SHANGHAI.

SHANGHAI, September 3.

Bulletins from Japan report that 100,000 people perished in Tokyo and Yokohama alone. An explosion completely destroyed the arsenal, resulting in several thousand casualties. Six hundred perished when Japan's biggest railway tunnel at Sasako collapsed.

OFFICIAL JAPANESE DISPATCH.

A Japanese destroyer at Amoy picked up the following message, which was retransmitted by Mr. Sakai, consul at Amoy, to Mr. Takahashi this afternoon.

First information reached here 10 p.m. Saturday.

Many houses collapsed at the first shock and fire broke out in 24 different places in the city and is still raging. Imperial Palace caught fire. Fukugawa district and Yokohama were completely destroyed. Shocks still being felt.

Fukugawa and Seijo completely burnt to the ground. Dead bodies piled in heaps. Mitsukoshi, Imperial Theatre, Central Police Station and Imperial Palace completely gutted.

Whole city burning furiously. A later telegram read: Tokyo, September 2 Kaijo Building (six stories) completely collapsed, causing 10,000 casualties. Emperor and Empress, who are at Nikko, are safe. The Kashiko-Dokoro, part of the Imperial Palace, is safe.

Yokohama, September 2: The city is wholly wrecked and fires broke out in many places. Casualties are estimated at 5,000 (\$50,000).

Nagoya, September 2: City completely destroyed (probably Yokohama is meant). Tokyo under martial law and no one allowed to enter the city. Foreign Office said to have been burnt down; report is not yet confirmed.

FOREIGN RESIDENTS' FATE UNCERTAIN.

OSAKA, September 3.

The safety of the foreign diplomatic representatives is not known and there is no news concerning the foreign residents of Tokyo. It is reported that the Yokohama Specie Bank and the Grand Hotel were demolished. The damage to buildings in the foreign settlement is reported to have been particularly serious. The latest estimate puts the Yokohama casualties at over a hundred thousand.

It is reported that the Imperial Palace has been thrown open to admit refugees. At a final Cabinet meeting yesterday morning Viscount Uchida decided on the promulgation of martial law in an Emergency Commanding Act and the establishment of a relief bureau.

PRESIDENT COOLIDGE'S SYMPATHY.

NAGASAKI, September 3.

A wireless message intercepted at Sasbo states that President Coolidge has sent a message of sympathy to the Emperor of Japan.

The Government has issued an Emergency Commanding Act.

Either the "Nagasaki Maru" or the "Shanghai Maru" will probably be transferred to Kobe to assist in relief work.

TOKYO BAY LIGHTHOUSES USELESS.

NAGASAKI, September 3.

A wireless message via "Korea Maru" states that all light-houses in the Bay of Tokyo have been rendered useless at night time and navigation is dangerous.

TWO EARTHQUAKES RECORDED HERE.

A second, smaller earthquake was recorded on the afternoon of September 1, beginning at 15h. 43m. and lasting until 16h. 51m. The maximum movement, 11 mms., occurred at 15h. 55m. Its origin was about 3,500 Kms. from Hongkong.

A third, large earthquake was recorded on the morning of September 2, beginning at 11h. 53m. and ending at 12h. 30m. The maximum movement, 75 mms. occurred at 12h. 40m. Its origin was also about 3,500 Kms. from Hongkong.

LOCAL ANXIETY.

Naturally much anxiety is felt among the Japanese residents in Hongkong, many of whom have relatives in the districts stricken by the earthquake. Up to noon, the Japanese Consul-General, Mr. Takahashi, had received no official news of the disaster, nor had any of the Japanese shipping companies received messages which could throw much light on the subject.

CALLS OF SYMPATHY.

Capt. R. A. R. Neville, P.M.L.I. Aide-de Camp to H. E. The Governor, called at the Imperial Japanese Consulate-General this morning to express the sympathy of the Colonial Government with Japan and to convey Sir Reginald and Lady Stubbs' personal regards at learning of the disaster which had befallen the Japanese people.

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The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be closed from the 7th September, 1923 until the 18th September, 1923 (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors.
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(General Managers).
Hongkong, 29th August, 1923.

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Hongkong, 31st August, 1923.

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A. H. ABBAS,
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Hongkong, 28th August, 1923.

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BIRTHS.

SIEMSEN.—On Friday, August 24, 1923, at Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Siemsen, a son.

MOLYNEUX.—On August 25, 1923, at Shanghai, Eleanor (née Rowley), wife of H. Lindsay Molyneux, a son.

GOLDING.—On August 25, 1923, at Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Golding, a son.

OLSEN.—On August 26, 1923, at Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. H. N. Olsen, a son.

BARKER.—On August 25, 1923, at Victoria, B.C., to Mr. and Mrs. S. Barker, a son.

CHALMERS.—On August 28, 1923, at Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Chalmers, a daughter.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, MONDAY, SEPT. 3, 1923.

THE WEEK-END.

The Saturday to Monday respite has been full to overflowing with world events. For the many it has been brief and peaceful, bringing with it that refreshment to mind and body which is so necessary in our present-day way of living. For a lesser number the period has been one of strained anxiety and embarrassment, leading a step nearer to conflict between nation and nation, involving others, and making the question of peace in other directions a veritable thing of shreds and patches. To a friendly nation, there has been no respite. The hand of nature has been busy, and death, destruction and desolation for more than a goodly number has made respite from the world a very permanent thing. Nature moves in a mysterious way its wonders to perform. If "Calamity is man's true touchstone" then the heart of mankind has been touched at the result of the ruthless calamity which has visited Japan, and the world's sympathy, and doubtless its practical sympathy should it be found that such is needed, will go out in a most uncertain and untrained manner. Hostile and critical thoughts are

Those Shipping Profits.

Although definitely nailed in the Colony, Mr. Eric Moller's slanders against the Hongkong Government are still gaining ground elsewhere, notably in England. The comment we reproduce from *Truth* to-day is typical of the way the Colony's good name is being defamed. This comment is obviously based on partisan reports made before the Colonial Secretary's complete reply was published and therefore hardly requires answering locally. Everyone here must now realise that Mr. Moller is hopelessly in the wrong. Everyone does.

Moreover the London paper must have discovered its error long ago, and being famed for its fairness, must have already made full amends. Accordingly we do not propose to cover the ground again. Indeed our only object in touching upon this topic once more is to bring out one salient point which has hitherto escaped public notice. These ships made their huge profits solely through the war and had they not been brought under Imperial control they would have been the only ships enjoying the protection of the British flag that would have been allowed to proliferate without check. Putting it even more plainly, they would have battened on the general misfortune, purely for private gain. That they did make huge profits is not denied; but it is pointed out that those profits would never have come into being at all had not the war forced the Imperial Government to take many better ships away from their usual work. Here we have the reason why the Moller ships were brought under control—the British Government wanted every line treated alike. Since these same huge profits were made out of the war, the Imperial Government further ruled that the taxpayer should reap the chief benefit, the owners receiving what they would ordinarily have made. Hence the indemnity laws. These facts we stress now, not to confound Mr. Moller still further—that would only be wasting ink now that his reckless charges have been utterly disproved—but simply to support a plea we cannot be too strongly urged. The Government, we are told, have not yet finally decided how the money shall be spent. They can hardly devote it to any purpose connected with the war, and an ample treasury will meet the Colony's usual needs. Therefore what could be more fitting than that this money made through shipping should be devoted to the benefit of shipping?

The Disaster In Japan.

World-wide sympathy will be extended to the Japanese nation in the terrible loss of life and destruction of property that has overtaken the cities of Tokyo and Yokohama and a number of smaller towns and innumerable villages throughout Saturday's severe earthquake shock, which was followed by outbreaks of fire. At this writing, only the barest details are available; Tokyo is completely cut off from the outside world as telephone and telegraph communications are cut and wireless messages receive no response, indicating that the Naval Department plant is completely wrecked. The seat of eruption was in the semi-active volcanic range of Mount Fuji, due to the hearts of all true Japanese, and a land-mark that catches the eye of visitors to Japan by steamer. Since it erupted with destructive violence in 1707, Fuji has remained inactive but the presence of a deep red crater at the summit has long afforded an ominous sign to seismologists that it might be aroused to fury at any time. From past experiences it is fair to presume that fire has been responsible for the heavy loss of life, though naturally even Japan's so-called earthquake proof wooden structures could scarcely be expected to stand a shock at noon which lasted over six minutes and was repeated intermittently until sunset. In the Japan Year Book 1923 Professor F. Onori is quoted as stating that "Japan will be free for a generation or so from any disastrous seismic visitation," which unfortunately demonstrates how difficult it is for seismologists to issue any warning as in the case of typhoon. In addition to earthquake and fire a tidal wave at Yokohama appears to have been responsible for further loss of life and damage. With water-pressure unavailable the fire-brigade will be practically powerless despite the river and canals round Tokyo. Shimbawa, a suburb of Tokyo, is where the poorer classes dwell and as the district is very congested, it is to be feared that the loss of life is bound to be heavy. The fact that the Imperial Palace, which is isolated, caught fire, indicates that the outbreaks in Tokyo have been largely due to spasmodic fires in widely-separated spots, which will naturally be almost impossible to control. Shiba, where the majority of the foreigners dwell, has apparently escaped the fire as has the district of Hibiya Park since no specific mention is made of the *Janau Times* building or the Diet (Houses of Parliament). This district is across a deep canal from where the *Advertiser* building stands, so it is

to be hoped that the entire city will not be razed to the ground. Relief ships are hastening to the scene and both the British and American Commanders in China Waters are sending vessels to Yokohama. Naturally Japanese, European and American residents here are most anxious, but they can take comfort that all towns south-west of Kyoto, at any rate, are safe, while no news from towns north of Tokyo must be taken to signify "good news" for the present.

To-day's Poem.

When pain and anguish seem too great,
And for relief too long I wait
I close my eyes that I may see
The Cross of One who died for me
And on He hangs suspended there,
Christ gives my grief and bears a share;
For God is love, He knows and feels,
He stooping, touches, cleanses heals.

—JAMES HOWcroft.
(The broken Airman.)

SHADOWS BEFORE.

Coming Events Advertised
In The Mail.

ENTERTAINMENTS.

September 3.—Coronet Theatre; Mabel Normand in "Molly O."

September 3.—Star Theatre; Anna Stewart in "Playthings of Destiny."

September 3.—World Theatre; Herbert Rawlinson in "The Scarf Car."

AUCTIONS.

September 4.—Lammert Bros. at Holt's Wharf, Kowloon, five A.E.G. electric motors with accessories, one set rails, and one air-cooled starter for each motor 11 a.m.

September 6.—Lammert Bros. at Kowloon Canton Railway, Locomotive Yard, Hung Hom (Kowloon), a quantity of miscellaneous stores, 11 a.m.

MEETING.

December 12.—Meeting of Unsecured Creditors of the Hong Kong Branch of the Banque Industrielle de Chine, at the City Hall, 3 p.m.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

New York, September 2.—Many anthracite miners struck at midnight.—*Reuter*.

A meeting of the Education Board will be held in the Sanitary Board Room on Wednesday afternoon.

Information has been received that quarantine imposed on arrivals from Hongkong was withdrawn by Shanghai on August 28.

A *Reuter* cable from Wollongong, N.S.W., reports that China defeated the South Coast Association by one goal to nil.

From Messrs. A. Fong, No. 1 Aguilar Street, we have received some excellent photographs of the Wong-nei-chong floods.

The foundations of the new building of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank in Tientsin are expected to be laid next month.

At Messrs. Christie's Chinese lacquer screen, carved with landscapes and warriors, and painted in polychrome, fetched £15 10s.

The road round the island, via Repulse Bay and Shaukiwan, was again open to traffic yesterday, after being partially closed owing to rain and typhoon damage.

The Local Manager of the Mercantile Bank of India Ltd. has received cabled advice that the Bank has declared an Interim dividend of 8% less income tax.

Mr. Kang Yu-wei, the famous Cantonese monarchical advocate, returned to Shanghai from the north several days ago and has now left for Hangchow. In the north Mr. Kang conferred with the different leaders, including Marshals Tsao Kun and Wu Pei-fu.

The excellent photographs we published on Saturday of the Wong-nei-chong floods were taken by Messrs. Mee Fong, No. 7 Wyndham Street. Messrs. Mee Fong have many good photographs of the damage, also of the recent typhoon.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mr. P. H. B. Kent, M.C., barrister-at-law, is expected to return to China next month. Mr. Kent has been negotiating for the renewal of the British Concession Crown leases.

Commissions have been issued in the British Volunteer Corps at Tientsin as follows: Mr. B. H. Pickle D.S.O., to be Captain; Mr. J. A. Andrew, to be Lieutenant; Mr. P. Travers-Smith to be 2nd Lieutenant.

CORRESPONDENCE.

LOCAL SALARIES.

[To the Editor of the "China Mail."]

Sir,—The Colonial Secretary mentioned at the Council meeting that when the Government gives their clerical staff increases of salary, it reflects on the charges which commercial houses have to bear. By this I take it that he means that he is afraid that it would handicap commercial houses if the Government clerks had increases.

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MOURNING.

MR. PARKER PASSES BY.

I weep for Adonais—he is dead!

Oh, weep for Adonais! thought our tears.

Thaw not the frost which binds so dear a head!

By this, our Adonais will probably be leaning over a ship's side, very green in the face, realising that there are more things in heaven and earth and our insides than were ever dreamt of. Not a drum was heard, not a funeral note, as his corps to the Grill room we hurried. We did not say much;

other things were full besides

our hearts, for the drink was shandy, and the soup tomato. We clinked glasses and later on said the usual. And now he is gone with our Anatole France tokens of goodwill. The Theosophists know him not again; the Book Club likewise; whilst the P.E.N. Club is desolate—it has lost its Committee. We shall not now rise on Tuesday mornings and look eagerly for the thoughts that brightened our "outlook." The loss of them

is Hongkong's, although it

say not think so. We pressed

upon our Adonais a stick of shaving soap and one of toilet. A spare

pair of socks which the floods had

made us purchase were to be his,

but he proudly reminded us that he

already had a pair. Always this

attitude: "Under the bludgeonings

of Chance, my head is bloody but unbowed."

It matters not how strait the gate;

How charged with punishments the scroll.

I am the Master of my fate:

I am the Captain of my soul.

Oh, weep for Adonais—he is gone—to Shanghai.

LUCKY WINNERS.

PROGRAMMES WORTH FIVE DOLLARS.

If the holders of the Theatre programmes mentioned below will forward them to the *China Mail* Office, coupons to the value of \$5, each will be issued entitling the holders to obtain goods of an equivalent value from any of the advertisers in the *China Mail*. Coronet Theatre programme No. 2101, issued Sunday August 25 to Friday August 31.

Star Theatre programme No. 105 issued Thursday to Saturday August 30 to September 1.

World Theatre No. 210 issued Wednesday to Saturday, August 20 to September 1.

Patrons of the three Theatres The Coronet, The Star and the World are advised to retain their programmes.

BASEBALL.

INDIANS WIN AFTER CLOSE GAME.

[By Argus.]

The Indians defeated the Portuguese, yesterday afternoon at Happy Valley, in the Hongkong Baseball League by 14 to 12. The fielding under the circumstances was good, but some very wild throwing was seen on both sides. In the second half of the first inning, the Indians were 1-0, but the Portuguese scored 7 in the first half of the second to which the Indians replied with a single. Onar, who had displaced Karen as pitcher, dismissed the Portuguese in the third with no addition to the score. Some wild throwing by the Portuguese allowed 6 men to cross the plate, making the score 8-7 in favour of the Indians. At the end of the fourth, the Indians added another 4 runs. In the fifth, the Portuguese got one man home, the score-board reading 12-8. At the end of the sixth, the score was 14-12. The Indians failed to score and, after the Portuguese had been dismissed in the eighth without adding to their total, the game was called on account of darkness.

Throughout the game sections of the spectators made themselves a regular nuisance by crowding onto the field of play. Mr. Koch continually requested them to stand back, as did the players, but the requests fell on deaf ears. Three of the spectators were hit by foul "flies"—as one wag remarked "they were unfortunately hurt because the ball hit them on the body instead of on the head." Joking apart, there is certain to be a serious accident one of these days if spectators will not show a little less obstinacy and selfishness. The line-up was—

INDIANS. PORTUGUESE.

C. Kareem P. L. Rocha

J. U. M. Omar C. J. Soares

H. Ismail C. B. Remedios

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J. U. M. Omar 2 B. J. R. Rocha

C. Kareem 2 B. A. Remedios

H. Akbar 3 B. A. Gosano

A. Rumjahn S. S. D. Alves

N. Kitchell C. F. Barros

S. A. Ismail R. F. C. Pereira

R. M. Omar L. F. A. Rull

Umpires: Mr. H. Koch, Mr. A. N. Other.

SCORE BY INNINGS.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

TERRIBLE DISASTER.

(Continued from Page 1.)

Later in the morning, the Colonial Secretary, the Hon. Mr. A. G. Fletcher C. M. G., C. B. E., also called to express the sympathy of the British Community. Representatives of the Consular Body also called upon Mr. Takahashi during the forenoon.

"EMPEROR OF AUSTRALIA."

Mr. P. A. Cox, General Agent of the Canadian Pacific Steamships Ltd., has received the following telegram from the Kobe Office:—Earthquake Yokohama September 1. Unable to communicate with them. The following message was received by the a.s. "Philectetes," September 1, from the "Empress of Australia," but was not delivered until the arrival of the "Philectetes" this p.m. The message reads:—"Empress of Australia" safe at pier. Unable to proceed to sea until extent of damage to propeller is ascertained. Damage was caused by fouling other steamers. Diver not obtainable. Office (Yokohama) destroyed; unable to report at present regarding staff.

A wireless message has been sent to the "Empress of Canada," which was due at Yokohama this morning, asking further details of damage at Yokohama, but no reply had been received when we went to press.

H. M. S. "Dionede," we understand, has been ordered to proceed to Yokohama with supplies and offer her services for relief work.

LATEST CRISIS.

EUROPE'S NEW DANGER.

ITALIAN MASSACRE SEQUEL.

LEAGUE INTERVENTION PROSPECTS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

ROME, September 2. Italian troops have occupied the small islands of Paxos and Antipaxos. This is regarded here simply as the completion of the Italian action at Corfu.

NOT LEAGUE'S "PIDGIN"?

PARIS, September 2. In well-informed circles it is believed that the adjournment of the League of Nations' decision on the Greek appeal till Tuesday is due to a doubt whether the League is legally entitled to take the place of the Conference of Ambassadors in settling the Italo-Greek dispute.

GREEKS INDIGNANT.

ATHENS, September 2. There is a storm of indignation in Greece over the Italian action. All the theatres are closed as a sign of mourning and numerous public bodies have protested in the newspapers unanimously condemning the action.

PREMIER PLEADS NOT GUILTY.

Conversing with the American delegates who were leaving Athens for Geneva to attend the International Near East conference on September 7, Premier Gonatas declared that the Greek Government firmly believed the massacre was not committed by Greeks. The allegations that it was committed by Greek bands and connived at by the Government were unfounded. The Italians' demands were unjust because Italy had no proof wherein she could in the slightest hold the Greek Government responsible. The Greeks had committed no wrong and national honour would not permit them to plead guilty to the crime by accepting the remaining Italian demands.

GREEK SHIPPING PARALYSED.

LONDON, September 2. From Athens it is semi-officially stated that the Italian submarine seized the steamer "Giorgios" which it fired at in the Gulf of Goumeniza. The Italian Admiral Bellini has forbidden Greek steamers to pass the Straits of Otranto. Four Greek steamers are detained in Italian ports. All the Greek shipping companies have suspended sailings to Italy but Greece is still permitting Italian ships to call at Greek ports. The Government has provided a detachment of thirty men to guard the Italian legation at Athens.

"FUGITIVES OF CAPORETTO."

ATHENS, September 2. The newspaper *Eleftherotypia* was suspended for a day for styling the Italians "Fugitives of Caporetto." The censor was dismissed for allowing publication of the insult.

ITALY REJECTS LEAGUE'S DECISION

ATHENS, September 2. The Italian Minister, Senator Montagna, has informed the Government that Italy refuses to accept the decision of the League of Nations.

MILITARY ATTACHE RECALLED.

ATHENS, September 2. It is reported, so far without confirmation, that the Italians have occupied the islands of Cephalonia and Samos. It is announced that the Italian legation suddenly recalled Colonel Perone, the Italian military attaché sent to Janina to enquire into the massacre of the Italian mission.

SUFFICIENT.

LONDON, September 3. The Italian Embassy here states that the occupation of Corfu is sufficient for the purpose in view. The Embassy states that there is no truth in the reports that other islands have been occupied by Italian forces.

ALLEGED INSULT.

ROME, September 3. It is semi-officially stated here that the population of Crete demonstrated before the Italian Consulate, the personnel of which was endangered. It is alleged that the Italian Flag was also insulted.

IRISH ELECTIONS.

A GOVERNMENT VICTORY.

DUBLIN, September 2.

Positions of Parties this evening were:

Government	62
Republicans	43
Independents	16
Farmers	14
Labour	14

Four returns are outstanding, all at West Cork where counting only began yesterday. The new Dail assembles September 19. There is much speculation as to whether the Republicans will put in an appearance!

LATER.

The final figures are:

Government	63
Republicans	44
Independent	16
Farmers	15
Labour	15

MINERS STRIKE.

AMERICAN TROUBLES.

NEW YORK, September 2. Following the rejection of various compromises 150,000 anthracite miners struck although the Government is continuing negotiations.

PROPERTY.

STILL BOOMING.

Difficulties amongst Chinese property men were mentioned some time ago, being attributed to native banks and financiers refusing to advance loans on property or inflated values. Enquiries were made during the week-end as the result of Jardine's record sale. From various sources it was learnt that although there has been a curb to speculation among the banks calling up their loans *bona fide* transfers were still being recorded in solicitors' offices every day.

Two men in local property market admitted that large profits had been made through the artificial rise in land and house values but the money only came from the property men themselves. Outsiders who had come in rashly were caught but it was added that if they hung on to their purchases the natural upward trend would soon bring their values into line.

More recently property men were dealing in genuine transfers instead of paying a small sum as bargain money and waiting for a favourable opportunity to sell before a sale need be completed. Most of the transactions now, it was said, were for buyers who had money to invest. The recent political shuffles in both South and North China had caused quite a number of officials to bring their wealth into the Colony for investment in real estate. Another source of new capital mentioned was the abrogated profits cleared by stockholders in the last Macao Opium monopoly. Poor tin and rubber prospects in the Malay States had, we are also informed, caused many Chinese to return, as exchange was favourable to those doing sound business. Some of them had invested their wealth in property. In this connection it was stated that a number of money loan associations had been formed in the Malay States by Cantonese ladies with a view to buying property in Hongkong in anticipation of a return.

Questioned as to which part of the Colony had the best opportunities for genuine development, an old Chinese broker said the mainland. Attention was concentrated there in land adjoining the urban districts. However, the broker would not commit himself as to whether there was a possibility of the business centre being transferred from the island. However, he hinted that a syndicate which would run river steamers to the Canton delta, would build their wharves in Yau Ma Tei, as it was exceedingly difficult to find proper berthing accommodation on the island water-front. In his opinion a terminus at Yau Ma Tei would act as a wonderful incentive to business there.

As to prospects in other parts of the Colony, the broker admitted that there was a good deal of money to be made out of pulling down ramshackle buildings in the Chinese areas and re-building more modern flats. This, he said, was particularly so in the Sheung Wan and Sai Ying Pun districts. He predicted a continuation of the building boom as soon as better weather sets in as capitalists were waiting to buy up old property to re-build.

In spite of the rumour circulated some time back that the stringency of the money market would act as a deterrent to property deals, our informant said that a good many financiers were interested in property themselves and money for trade would be diverted on account of bad times. He instanced the sale of Jardine's property as an example of there being ample funds to finance development.

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THEATRE ROYAL.

COMING TOM FENWICK SEASON.

An interesting announcement has been made to the effect that a Quadruple Bill will be presented by Mr. Tom Fenwick and Miss Tina Gerald at the Theatre Royal on Friday next under the Patronage of His Excellency The Governor. The Theatre Royal has been closed for some months while undergoing complete repairs and renovation and this will be the public's first opportunity of seeing in all its newly acquired glory.

The performances promise to be decidedly original and should draw crowded houses on Friday and Saturday.

It is of special interest to learn that most of the plays to be presented are the work of Mr. Fenwick, who will also perform in each of his own productions. Of these, special mention should be made of "The Intruder," a startling modern mystery, and "Edward Glanville-Husband" which will be produced for the first time on any stage on Saturday.

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OPIUM.

YUNNAN MONOPOLY.

HONGKONG MAN'S EFFORTS.

With reference to the militant exportation of opium from Yunnan referred to by Mr. Hsia, says the International Anti-Opium Association, the matter was originally brought to the notice of our Association in the early part of the year by an energetic Chinese Anti-Opium Worker in Hongkong. Details and names were given of a syndicate with a capital of \$1,000,000 formed for the purpose of exporting 500 tons of Yunnan opium to North China. The Hongkong enthusiast sent copies of his report to the Inspector General of Customs, the French Minister, and through our Association to the League of Nations. Diplomatic action has resulted in 250 tons being still unexported, but portions of the earlier 150 tons have been seized at several northern ports.

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COMMERCIAL.

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TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

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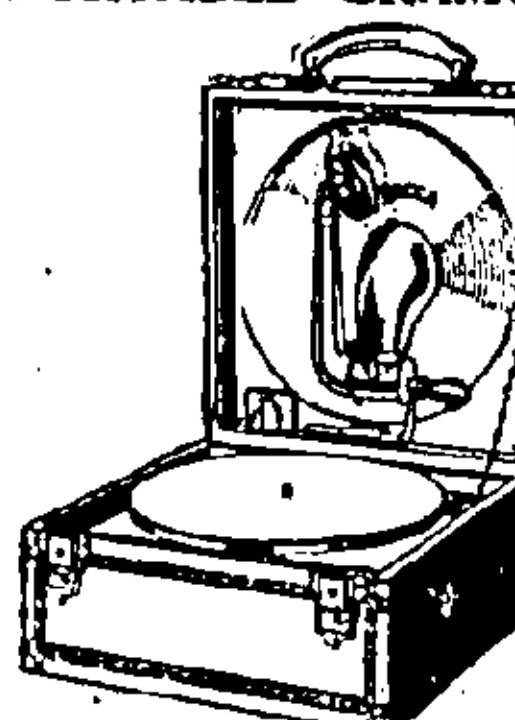
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"SICILIA"	6,636	11th Nov.	H'bay, Miles, Gib, L'don & A'werp.
"MALWA"	10,921	14th Nov.	Spore, Penang, Col'bo & Bombay.
"IVANZA"	7,622	16th Nov.	MARSHALLS, Gib, L'don & A'werp.
"KALYAN"	8,603	20th Nov.	do.
"SOUDAN"	6,636	21st Nov.	Spore, Penang, Col'bo & Bombay.
"DEVANHA"	8,602	12th Dec.	MARSHALLS, Gib, L'don & A'werp.
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The B. & S. s.s. "Ningchow" left Port Said on August 24 for Gooch, Marseilles, Liverpool, Antwerp, and London via Suez for this port via Suez Port and Manila on Aug. 26 and may be expected to arrive here on Sept. 29.

The B. & S. s.s. "Tolomeus" left Port Said on Aug. 26 for Boston and New York.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Russia" from Hongkong on August 8 arrived at Vancouver on August 27.

The A.O.L.s.s. "President Madison" due here on Sept. 8, arrived at Yokohama on Aug. 30 on schedule.

The N.Y.K. s.s. "Morios Maru" (Calcutta Line) left Moji for Hongkong on Aug. 23 and expected here to-day.

The N.Y.K. s.s. "Awa Maru" (Calcutta Line) left Singapore for Hongkong on August 23 and is expected here to-day.

The B. & S. s.s. "Fatrasius" for Marseilles, London, and Rotterdam left Shanghai on Aug. 31 for this port and is due here on to-day. The vessel will be despatched to-morrow to manila.

The B. & S. s.s. "Majestic" from Liverpool left Singapore on Aug. 31 for this port and is due here to-morrow.

The P. & O. s.s. "Karmala" left Singapore for this port on Sept. 1 at 4 p.m. with the outward English Mail, and is due here on Sept. 6 at about 7 a.m.

The B. & S. s.s. "Belloper" left Liverpool on Aug. 1 for Singapore, Hongkong and Shanghai and is due here on Sept. 7.

The B. & S. s.s. "Benidell" from Middlebrooks, Antwerp, London and Straits Ports left Singapore for this port via Manilla on August 30 and may be expected to arrive here on Sept. 10.

The P. & O. s.s. "R.M.S. Empress of Canada" left Vancouver for Hongkong via Japan ports, Shanghai, on Aug. 23 and is expected to Yokohama on Sept. 3 and is due here on Sept. 10.

The B. & S. s.s. "Elegance" left Liverpool on Aug. 11 for Singapore, Hongkong, Shanghai, Taku and Daulay and is due here on or about Sept. 12.

The N.Y.K. s.s. "Sado Maru" (Bombay Line) left Bombay for Hongkong and Shanghai and is due here on or about Sept. 10.

The B. & S. s.s. "Thomas" left Liverpool on Aug. 18 for Singapore, Hongkong, and Shanghai and is due here on or about Sept. 10.

The B. & S. s.s. "Chambers" left Liverpool on Aug. 21 for Singapore, Hongkong, and Shanghai and is due here on or about Sept. 10.

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(From our Own Correspondent.)

AMOY, August 27.

While there is still a possibility of heavy fighting both on the Island and in the city of Amoy, the general trend of events leads one to believe that the present lull is due to the inability of the attacking forces to come to any sort of agreement as to the future of the city or to any plan of action or unity of command. If General Hong Chiau-jin and General Kao Gi can come to some mutual understanding and be sure of support and covering from the naval unit, now reduced to two men-of-war, Amoy could be taken without serious loss of life or damage to property.

General Kao Gi, acting under the orders of General Wong Eng-chuan at Foochow, does not wish to assume command of the general attack and has requested General Hong Chiau-jin, a subordinate of Chan King-ming (now in Swatow), to take charge of operations. General Hong is not at all willing to take upon himself the responsibility of attack. He does not trust the Naval unit, and without their covering fire he would be forced to make a surprise night attack with the possibility of finding them standing behind his landing party with their usual request. Moreover, should General Kao turn aside from the path of honour, he would find himself in an impossible position and would be forced to leave his army to its fate.

General Chang Li-peng at Amoy has put the city in a state of defence, outposts are lining the hills, field guns are mounted along the slopes guarding the city, and the fort is garrisoned. The number of troops at his disposal is estimated at 7,000; they are not well trained and little can be expected from their artillery. Nevertheless, should the defending troops remain loyal, a strong combined effort on the part of both attacking forces will be necessary, but it is highly improbable that the rank and file have enough interest in the result to offer any stubborn resistance. The surrounding country lends itself to defence and a landing must be made, moreover, General Chang may be able to buy over one of the attacking forces and save the situation without risk of defeat.

General Hong has about 12,000 troops in Shih Mah; they are not well-trained and have little discipline, looting, rape, and destruction.

EARTHQUAKE IN JAPAN.**EARLY REPORTS OF GREAT DESTRUCTION.****IN TOKYO AND YOKOHAMA.**

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

Below will be found the first authentic details reaching here of the unprecedented character of the earthquake in Japan, which lasted over six minutes. Fires have broken out in Tokyo and Yokohama and the loss of life has been exceedingly heavy.

OSAKA, September 1.

A slight vibration was again felt at 2:25 this afternoon. According to the Osaka Observatory the seismic centre is probably the Idzu peninsula. The seismograph showed vibration for nearly an hour and a half. The Tokaido railway line (the trunk line through Japan) is seriously damaged in several places.

At Nagoya, Osaka, Kobe, and Kyoto there is no damage. Nagasaki did not feel the vibration. Telegraph and telephone communication between Osaka and Tokyo is totally interrupted.

OSAKA, September 1.

A message from Nagasaki says a naval wireless received at Sasebo from Funahashi states that at Tokyo to-day there had been a rainstorm of exceptional severity and repeated earthquakes. Another wireless reports that at Yokohama a fire broke out and that the inhabitants are taking refuge on the "London Maru" and the "Paris Maru" which are lying at anchor in the harbour.

NEWS FROM AMERICA.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 1. Practically the whole of Yokohama is ablaze, subsequent to a severe earthquake. There are numerous casualties.

OSAKA, Sept. 2.

All communications with Tokyo are still interrupted, but unconfirmed reports received in a round-about way indicate that at Tokyo yesterday morning there was a typhoon which subsided shortly before noon, when suddenly there were destructive earthquakes, followed by conflagrations, throwing the town into chaos. The inhabitants being terror-stricken. It is feared that there are considerable casualties. The town of Yokohama was reported to be still burning at 8:30 last evening. The buildings destroyed were mostly close to the harbour, many houses being washed away by tidal waves.

A number of small towns at the foot of Mount Fuji are reported to be completely destroyed and hundreds of lives were lost. In Shizuoka prefecture a warning of tidal waves was issued. Tunnels are destroyed and bridges in several places near Mount Fuji.

Terrible havoc has been caused at many summer resorts. At Atami the fatalities are said to be 600. At Gotemba and likewise at Numadzu and Hakone the earthquake was very severe.

PART OF TOKYO ABLAZE.

OSAKA, Sept. 2. Newspaper extras report that the Imperial Palace at Tokyo is partially afire, and that the whole town is ablaze except in the direction of Shiba. The city water supply has stopped.

Osaka is sending the steamer "Chicago Maru" on a relief mission. She is leaving this afternoon.

TOKYO BUILDINGS DEMOLISHED.

NAGASAKI, Sept. 2. A special messenger from Tokyo is hurrying to Akakura station, where Princess Nagako is staying, to report the conditions at Tokyo. Interviewed en route he said the Palace fire was not serious, but the Mitsukoshi Store, the Imperial Theatre, the Imperial University and other important buildings are demolished. Fire is raging at Akasaka.

OSAKA, September 2.

A Naval wireless message received at Sasebo from Funahashi says: There is no communication between Tokyo and Funahashi. Men despatched to Tokyo to obtain a report have not yet returned, but stories of refugees indicate many buildings were demolished by the first shock. The Palace fire was not serious, but the Mitsukoshi store caught fire. The fire is spreading towards the Palace, flames consuming the metropolitan police station and the Imperial Theatre. The same report says the Navy Department has not answered a wireless call and it is therefore feared that this department also is afire.

From other reports it appears that fire broke out in forty-eight places in the Tokyo business district, like Nihonbashi with its many important banks and offices. The educational centre of Kanda and other sections have all suffered terrible destruction. The Palace is reported to be still burning. Shinagawa has been washed by tidal waves.

FURTHER REPORTS.

A report has reached the Nagoya division from Tokorozawa aerodrome stating that the Foreign Office and the Departments of Finance and Education have been destroyed by fire.

REPORTERS BY AEROPLANE.

The Osaka *Asahi* and the Osaka *Mainichi* are sending reporters to Tokyo by aeroplane. All the newspapers are starting subscriptions for a relief fund.

RECORDED AT VIENNA.

VIENNA, September 2. From four o'clock until after eight this morning, the seismographs of the Vienna Institute of Meteorology registered the most violent earthquake ever recorded here. The distance from the centre of disturbance was over 8,000 miles.

IRISH ELECTIONS.

LONDON, August 31. Official: The state of the Parties in the Irish elections at six this evening was:—

Government	45
Republicans	31
Independents	15
Labour	11
Farmers	9

REPUBLICANS GAINING GROUND.

DUBLIN, September 1. Although twenty-one seats remain to be filled, the latest returns show that the Republican issue is in no wise a dead letter, and it is noteworthy that most of the Republican successes have been secured in country districts, the Government holding most of the towns.

The state of the Parties at present is:—

Government	53
Republican	37
Independent	16
Labour	14
Farmers	12

Those elected yesterday include Mr. Rutledge, who was appointed Republican Acting President on the arrest of De Valera, and the Republican Plunkett.

LATER.

The state of the Parties at noon was:—

Government	51
Republicans	38
Independent	16
Labour	14
Farmers	13

Eighteen seats remain to be filled. Both Ministerialists and Republicans at present have eight more members than at the dissolution. It seems likely that the Ministerialists will finally exceed sixty and the Republicans forty.

The election of the Republican Acting President, Mr. Rutledge, was celebrated in Ballina, North Mayo, by bonfires. A number of Republicans entered Bally Castle and joined in the rejoicing, and the military patrol from Killala which arrived was received with a volley. A corporal was killed in the fight which ensued and there were several other casualties. Soldiers cleared the streets of Ballina with fixed bayonets after a soldier had been insulted.

A Free State communiqué from Dublin states that a party of troops who were ambushed at Castle Connel last night suffered no casualties.

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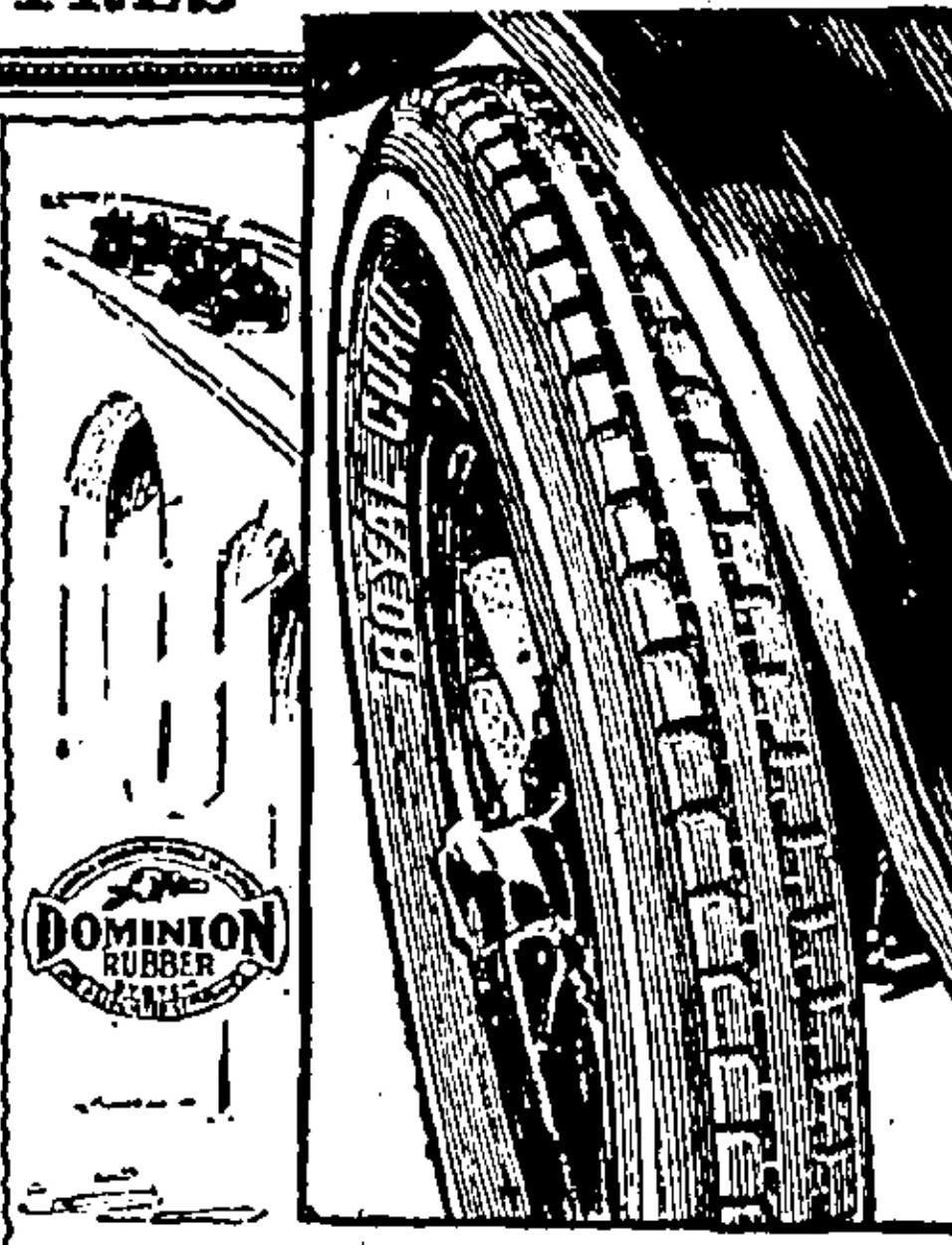
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The list which comes nearest the correct solution as decided by the general vote will win the prize.

The contest will last each week from Monday to Saturday. Results will be announced in the *China Mail* every Wednesday, when the winner's name will be published along with the correct list.

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2.	Angling	12.	Polo
3.	Baseball	13.	Racquets
4.	Badminton	14.	Riding
5.	Basket Ball	15.	Rugby
6.	Bowls	16.	Rowing
7.	Cricket	17.	Shooting
8.	Cycling	18.	Swimming
9.	Croquet	19.	Tennis
10.	Golf	20.	Yachting

CUT THIS OUT

To the Editor
China Mail, Hongkong, Sept. 3, 1923.
 Hongkong.

Sir,

I consider the following the ten most popular forms of outdoor recreation placed in the order in which I think they are liked best:

Please write clearly in block letters.

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9.
10.

Name

Address

Next Voting Contest:—Professions.

THANKS TO MR. MOLLER

HOW THE COLONY IS BEING DEFAMED

LATEST LONDON COMMENT

Further information which has reached me regarding the profiteering by the Hongkong Government at the expense of the small shipowners of the colony makes the transaction appear blacker than I thought, says *Truth* of August 1st. In respect of the main allegation there seems to be no question. The Hongkong Government commandeer the ships at a fixed rate which entailed a heavy loss on the owners in keeping the ships at sea. It then chartered the vessels for ordinary trade purposes at much higher rates, thereby netting a profit of \$231,024 dollars. The larger local owners were not treated in the same fashion, they being allowed to use the ships not requisitioned for war purposes for their own profit.

The defence put forward in the Hongkong Legislative Council for the passage of the Indemnity Act which legalised this barefaced robbery was about as lame as it could be. First it was urged that the Government accepted the war risk on the vessels, and was therefore entitled to the profits. To this the answer is made that the risk was insured with local underwriters. Secondly, it was argued that the colony, having contributed various sums to the Imperial Government out of ordinary revenue as well as from special rates levied for war purposes, was entitled to keep its war profits. To this the shipowners reply that they fail to see why the should bear a burden which would rightfully be borne by the whole community.

Anybody with the most elementary sense of fair play will agree with them. What appears to have happened is that the profits amounted to so large a sum that the Hongkong Government could not bear to part with the money, hoping no doubt that the small owners concerned would take their losses lying down. This might have been the case had not the Moller Shipping Company been forced into liquidation by its losses in consequence of the action of the Government, for the Indemnity Bill was rushed through the Legislative Council in time to prevent an exposure of the facts in the law courts. Indeed, from no point of view does there appear to be any justification for this scandalous transaction. Even the Bolsheviks would blush at despoiling only the little men of their earnings and letting the bigger game go free.

THE CORONET.

MABLE NORMAND IN MOLLY O.

It all happened through a newspaper. There was the picture of a wealthy young society man, with the caption, "Who will his bride be?" Besides his picture was a vacant space, with a question mark prominently displayed.

Molly O'Dair, a little Irish girl, pasted her photo there, just for fun. And then she met him. And after that, by a series of accidents, that very copy of the paper came into his hands. Everything should have been all right after that; but Molly had a father who didn't like young men in expensive clothes, and plug hats, and so he put down the parental foot.

Molly's vicissitudes after that form the basis of the picture "Molly O," which is at the Coronet this week.

There is nothing highly dramatic about this film. Its best feature is its homely presentation of the family life of the O'Dairs, and the whole production is characterized by some specially good acting.

Mabel Normand, in the principal role, gives a very touching, and yet amusing portrayal of "Molly O," the little Irish girl. She is supported by a group of artistes of merit, and Saturday's audiences were evidently appreciative of the programme offered.

Riga, September 1.—Advices from Moscow state that the Soviets have entered into an agreement with a wireless telegraph company in Paris to supply apparatus for the erection of wireless stations in Russia.

London, September 1.—The Tromso Geographical Expedition, which left in July en route for Jan Mayen Island and Greenland in order to study oceanographical and meteorological conditions has been frozen in off Greenland. Their position is not dangerous, but a relief party to go to the aid of the expedition is preparing.—Reuter.

ROXOR

The Expert Advertisers & Bill Poster,
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LOCAL AND GENERAL

Shortly after removal from the Tung Wah hospital to the Government Civil hospital yesterday, a Chinese woman of 11, Po Tuck Street, died of opium poisoning, believed to have been self-administered.

The official report of the Douglas steamer "Haihong," which arrived yesterday from Swatow records that during the voyage Madame Tulane, wife of the French vice-consul at Swatow, gave birth to a son.

The record of rainfall during August as given by the Superintendent of the Botanical and Forestry Department shows a total of 35.8 inches. The biggest rainfall occurred on the 28th with a total of 7.08 inches.

For a couple of hours this morning three naval tugs, assisted by launches, made great efforts to raise the sunken submarine off Status Pier. The result of their labours did not, up to this time, appear to have been very successful.

Judgment was given for the plaintiffs by the Puisne Judge (Mr. Justice Gompertz) at the Summary Court to-day in the cases in which the Tai Yik Cheong firm claimed damages from the Shun Wo Hing firm for breach of contracts in connection with the sale of some sugar. Damages totalling \$2,259.95 were awarded. The plaintiffs were represented by Mr. M. M. Watson and the defendants did not appear.

TYPHOON WARNING.

The American Consulate-General is in receipt of a telegram from the Manila Observatory giving warning of a typhoon in about 114 deg. Long. E. 17 deg. Lat. N. moving, N.W.

WARDER'S DEATH.

FALL FROM VERANDAH.

As a result of falling from the second floor verandah of the Warder's Mess into Wyndham Street at about 2.30 this morning, Warder Craigie died from injuries at the Government Civil Hospital at 1 o'clock this afternoon.

The Warder's Mess is, as most residents know, built on a narrow plot between Arbuthnot Road and Wyndham Street. It has verandas looking into the Magistracy compound and on the other side, overlooking Wyndham Street. No definite conclusion has been arrived at as to what caused his fall in the middle of the night but it is stated unofficially, that he was resting on the verandah which has a rather low railing and fell asleep thereby losing his balance.

However, the accident was soon noticed and the motor ambulance took him to hospital. This morning it was learnt that there was little chance of his recovery as his injuries were serious, the height being over forty feet. Later in the day it was learned that he had succumbed to his injuries at one o'clock. It is stated that he had a compound fracture of the thigh and that the skull was injured. There was also the possibility of serious internal injuries.

BOY'S DEATH.

There was another fatal fall last night when a Chinese boy, twelve years of age, fell from the top floor of No. 98, Des Voeux Road West, into the road. His mother is reported to have stated that he had high fever during the day and his fall was not noticed. He probably walked out on the balcony to cool himself when he lost control. Death occurred shortly after admission to hospital.

JAPAN CABINET.

PERSONNEL COMPLETED DURING FIRE.

OSAKA, Sept. 3. While the capital of the Empire was burning, Premier Yamamoto hurried the work of Cabinet-making. According to the *Asahi* the personnel of the new cabinet is as follows:

Premier Baron Yamamoto.

Foreign Baron Goto.

Home Mr. J. Inouye.

Navy Admiral Takarabe.

War General Tanaka.

Justice Y. Hirayama.

Education K. Okano.

Agriculture Baron Den.

Communications K. Inukai.

Railways I. Yamamoto.

SHANGHAI.

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5—N.Y.K. Shidzuka Maru.

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28—T.K.K. Lemansi.

29—A.O.L. Tenyo Maru.

30—A.O.L. Pres. Jefferson.

31—T.K.K. Korea Maru.

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33—C.P.S. Empress of Canada.

34—C.P.S. Empress of Russia.

35—B.B. C. Lopez Y. Lopez.

NOTICE TO SHIPPERS AND PASSENGERS.

DEPARTURES

CHINA COAST, ETC.

SWATOW.

Sept. 4—D.L. Kwaihung.
 4—I.C.S.N. Haibang.
 5—I.C.S.N. Kiangang.
 6—I.C.S.N. Tungchabing.
 8—I.C.S.N. Sanliu.
 12—I.C.S.N. Loikong.
 13—I.C.S.N. Weihsing.
 13—O.S.R. Soho Maru.

AMOY.

Sept. 4 D.L. Haibang.
 13—O.S.R. Soho Maru.

FOOCHOW.

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32—I.C.P.S



Hers is the first portrait of U. S. Naval Lieutenant Wesley M. Hague with Mrs. Hague. Lieutenant Hague pinched Rev. George Lyman Page in the jaw, in Boston, because the clergyman, in an alleged impulse of "fatherly affection," tried to kiss Mrs. Hague. The clergyman, who is extremely prominent in Boston church circles, is a descendant of one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence. He has written a letter of apology to Mrs. Hague and has resigned as Executive Secretary of the Greater Boston Federation of Churches.



Miss Mary Haskell, daughter of Colonel W. H. Haskell, U.S. A., in command of the American Red Cross in Greece and Asia Minor, has been with the Red Cross in Athens for several months and has won the heartfelt thanks and appreciation of the people by her untiring efforts and philanthropic endeavours.



Edith Kelly Gould, divorced wife of Frank J. Gould, son of the late Jay Gould, will return shortly to the stage in Paris. The former dance hall star will appear in vaudeville on a twelve weeks' contract. Presumably she is tiding over her financial affairs while her suit for half of her husband's estate is pending.



Miss Margaret Hugeman, is believed to have been the unconscious cause of the murder of Frank Muren, to whom she was engaged. She had many admirers. Muren's body was found in a haystack near Joliet, after he had been strangled and his skull crushed.



Mrs. Bevard Kepner, was found shot to death in her home last April. A Justice of the Peace, in accordance with the Maryland law, signed a death certificate declaring she was a suicide. Little was heard of the case until her brother and sister started an investigation, which resulted in the body being exhumed and an inquest held. A Miss Lulu Ricketts created a sensation when she declared in court that Bevard Kepner, the dead woman's husband, had frequently proposed that she run away from home with him, while his wife was still alive.



Whether peace or war prevails in the anthracite coal fields this autumn is being determined in parleys now under way in Atlantic City, where representatives of the mine owners and of the United Mine Workers are in session. Thomas Kennedy, Chris J. Golden and William J. Brennan, district presidents of the Pennsylvania mine workers, with John L. Lewis, International President, are representing the workers.



James M. Beck, United States Solicitor General, recently appeared as one of the counsel for his Government in a case arising out of contracts placed by the United States with a Canadian firm during the World War. The case was tried in London on an appeal from the Supreme Court of Ontario. Mr. Beck was called to the English bar at Gray's Inn last April and appeared in the attire of an English barrister.



Above is shown John C. Garand with his newly invented rapid-fire rifle, which has successfully passed tests by the United States Army authorities. It is known as the Grand Auto Loading Standard Military 30-calibre rifle, firing 100 shots in 75 seconds, as against the old Springfield firing record of 100 shots in three minutes. The new rifle is easily carried, weighing only 9½ pounds.



Brigadier-General Logan Feland, United States Marine Corps, hero of Belleau Wood and a dozen other bloody fields of France, has been appointed aide to Major-General John A. Lejeune, commanding the famous corps. General Feland was formerly head of the Division of Operations and Training of the Corps and succeeds Major-General W. C. Neville as assistant to the commanding general. He has served with the Marines since 1899 and was among the first to sail for France, where he won the D. S. C. and the D. S. M. and the rank of Officer in the French Legion of Honour.



Is it true that handsome, young, attractive, well-dressed women who kill can go free and that women who are old, poorly dressed and ugly are convicted of murder in Chicago? Aside from Mrs. Nitti-Crudelle, who occupies a cell in the Cook County Jail, the first woman ever to be sentenced there to die on the gallows, there are five names which will be remembered by the public as leading figures in celebrated murder trials. Mrs. Vera Trepagnier was old and ugly, was convicted in 1917, of the murder of Dr. Leon Quittner. Miss Pauline Plotka, pretty and winsome fashion designer, shot and killed Antoine K. Jindra, a hospital interne, in 1917, and went free. Above, left to right, Mrs. Orthwin, Miss Plotka, Miss Dean and Mrs. Trepagnier. Below, left to right, Mrs. Sabelle Nitti-Crudelle and Mrs. Tillie Klimek.

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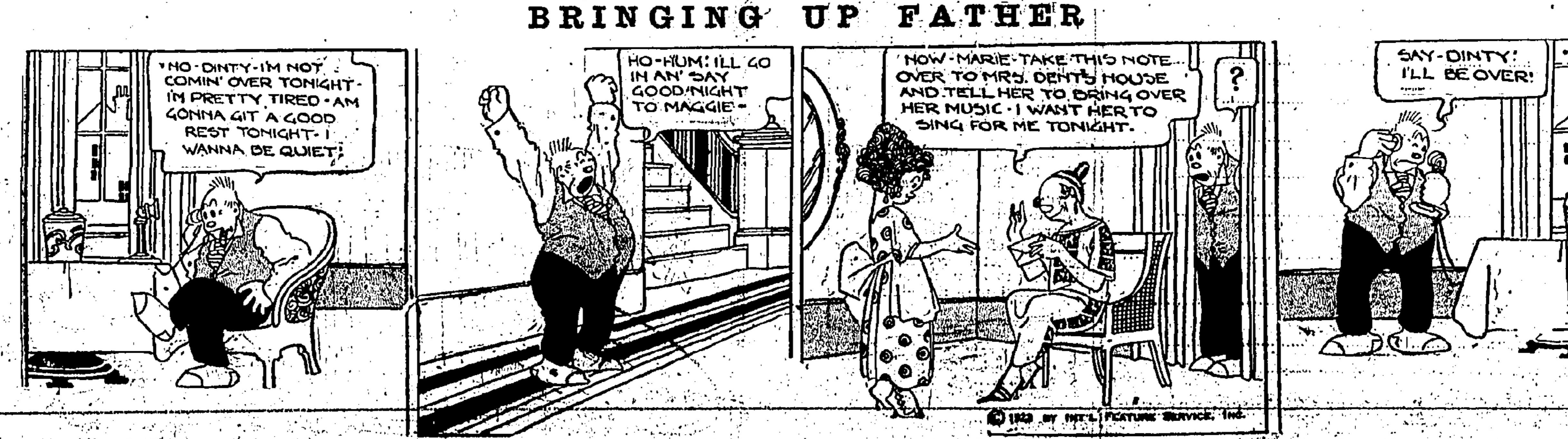
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EARLIER TELEGRAMS

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

ITALO-GREEK CRISIS.

Rome, September 1.
The occupation of Corfu, which is officially confirmed, was made as a direct consequence of Greece's unfavourable reply.

The fact that the occupation of Corfu was not accomplished without opposition is suggested by an Athens communiqué, stating that the Governor had declined to accede to the Italian request to occupy the island, whereupon "troops" landed and the fleet bombarded the police station and school, which were set on fire. It is asserted that there were a number of casualties.

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Several other newspapers frankly regard the move as the logical development of the imperialist ideas which Mussolini has long been cherishing.

Newspapers of all shades of opinion emphasise the violation of two international instruments, thus embroiling other Powers. Firstly, the International Agreement of 1863 to which Italy is signatory guaranteeing the perpetual neutrality of Corfu. Secondly, an Article in the League of Nations Covenant forbidding any member to engage in warlike operations against another member under penalty of ostracism.

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The occupation will remain temporary and peaceful unless the attitude of the islanders obliges special measures to protect Italian troops.

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An Italian submarine in the Gulf of Gonioitzia fired on the Greek steamer "Georgios," inflicting slight damage.

Official circles in London are gravely perturbed at the turn of events, but it is impossible to give the view of the British Government regarding Italy's action, in the absence of Mr. Baldwin and Lord Curzon. The latter's plans have not been changed and he does not return to London before the middle of next week. The British view remains that the question must be left to the League of Nations.

Mr. Amery, who is at present at Malta, is believed to have conferred with Mr. Baldwin at Air-les-Bains yesterday.

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Hoogkong, August 30, 1923.

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BUSINESS DIRECTORY

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Merchants, General Importers,
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N. Lazarus, Opticians.
Tel. Con. 222. 12, Queen's Rd. Central

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HONGKONG TIDES.

The tide-table given below has been
compiled by the National Almanac Office
in London from the result of the analysis
of observations taken by means of an
automatic tide-recording machine in the
Water Police Basin at Tsim Sha Tsui
during the years 1909-9.

The zero of the table corresponds with
the zero of the sounding in the Admiralty
Bath, which has been found to be 4 feet
inches below mean sea-level.

To obtain the depth of water on the
tide at the Victoria Naval Yard
add 2 feet 4 inches, and on the gauge
at Lamont Dock, Add one foot
to the height given in the table.

August 26 to 31, 1923.

HIGH WATER LOW WATER

Day Week Standard Height Height

26 Aug. 22 m 8 30 7.8 m 1 48 2.4

27 Aug. 23 m 9 10 1.0 m 2 17 1.3

28 Aug. 24 m 10 17 6.1 m 3 22 1.3

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